



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Confirmation No.: 9728

Yuji SAITO et al.

Group Art Unit: 1745

Application No.: 09/850,203

Examiner: Tracy Mae DOVE

Filed: May 8, 2001

Attorney Dkt. No.: 101213-00009

For: FUEL CELL AND METHOD FOR MAKING THE SAME

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT FILED WITH A REQUEST FOR  
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

**MAIL STOP RCE**

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: AUGUST 10, 2006

Sir:

In response to the outstanding Office Action dated May 30, 2006 and coupled with the filing of a Request for Continued Examination, Applicants request that, prior to initial examination, the above-identified application be **FURTHER** amended as shown below.

Amendments to the **Claims** begin on page 2.

Remarks begin on page 6.